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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) A display device, comprising:
~~an a reflective~~ image-generating arrangement configured to reproduce images, the images being visible to a viewer when the device is operated in either ~~or both~~ of two modes, including a first mode wherein the device produces a real image of the image-generating arrangement, the real image being suitable for direct viewing by the viewer, and a second mode wherein the device produces a virtual image of the image-generating arrangement, wherein the light that forms the virtual image proceeds from the image-generating arrangement to the viewer without being scattered by a diffusive screen without producing a real image of the image generation arrangement.
2. (Withdrawn) A display device as defined in claim 1, wherein the image-generating arrangement is a microdisplay.
3. (Withdrawn) A display device as defined in claim 2, wherein the microdisplay is a liquid crystal microdisplay.
4. (Withdrawn) A display device as defined in claim 3, wherein the liquid crystal microdisplay is a ferroelectric liquid crystal microdisplay.
5. (Withdrawn) A display device as defined in claim 3, wherein the liquid crystal microdisplay is a nematic liquid crystal microdisplay.
6. (Withdrawn) A display device as defined in claim 2, wherein the microdisplay is a digital micromirror device.
7. (Withdrawn) A display device as defined in claim 2, wherein the microdisplay is a TFT device.
8. (Withdrawn) A display device as defined in claim 2, wherein the microdisplay is